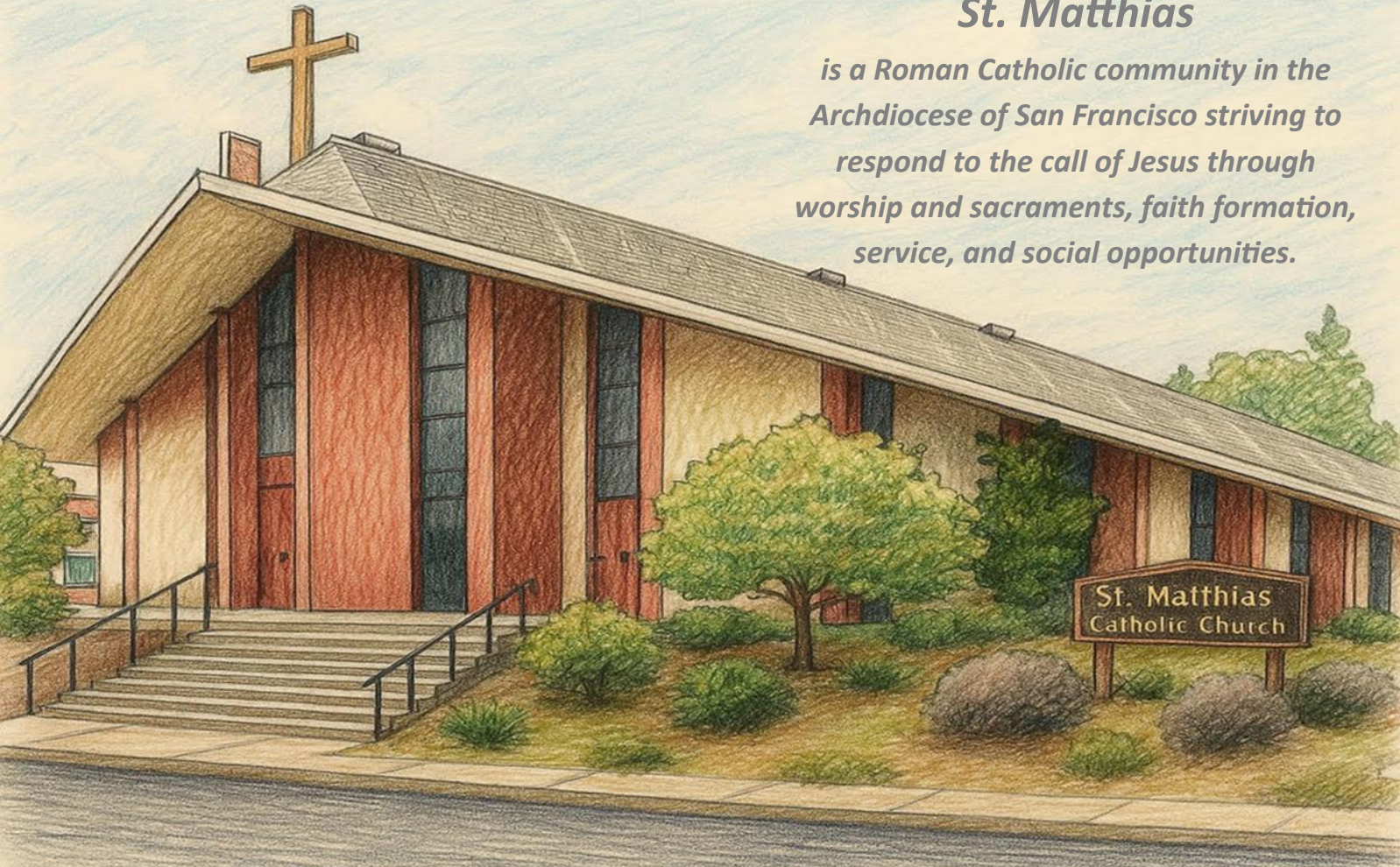


St. Matthias Parish

Solemnity of the Ascension of the Lord
June 1, 2025

St. Matthias

is a Roman Catholic community in the Archdiocese of San Francisco striving to respond to the call of Jesus through worship and sacraments, faith formation, service, and social opportunities.



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St. Matthias Mass Schedule

Saturday 5:00 pm
Sunday 9:45 am*

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St. Charles Mass Schedule

Monday—Saturday 5:00 pm
Sunday 8:30 am* & 11:00 am

*LIVESTREAMED MASSES



THIS WEEK'S MASS INTENTIONS

Saturday 5:00 P.M. Mass Benito and Florencia Pangilinan†

Sunday 9:45 A.M. Mass All Parishioners of St. Matthias

THIS WEEK'S MUSIC

563 Be Not Afraid

Springs of Water 171

Mass of St. Ann Gloria

Ps. 66 by Marty Haugen: let all the earth cry out in joy to the Lord!

590 Alleluia No. 1

308 in This Place

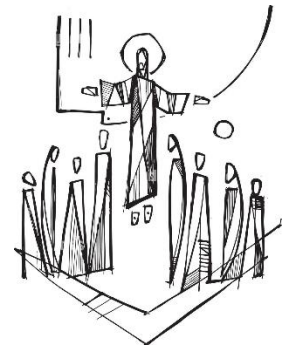
Mass of St. Ann

*Fraction rite: Leon C. Roberts

513 Peace

The Cloud's Veil

395 With One Voice



Breaking Bread song books are available for your use during the service and are housed on the shelf at the entrance from the parking lot.

INTRODUCTION TO THE LITURGY OF THE WORD

Besides his Gospel, Saint Luke also wrote the Acts of the Apostles. Today we get to hear the ending of one and the beginning of the other, for Jesus' ascension marks the transition between the two. As Luke writes, the Gospel deals with what Jesus said and did while on earth and begins with Jesus giving his disciples a mission. As we carry on this mission, let us realize how Jesus is still present with us today: in each other, in those in need, when we gather in his name, in the Eucharist, and in the proclamation of the word. Listening to his word now, let us be aware of his constant and enduring presence.

FIRST READING

Acts 1:1-11

In the first book, Theophilus, I dealt with all that Jesus did and taught until the day he was taken up, after giving instructions through the Holy Spirit to the apostles whom he had chosen. He presented himself alive to them by many proofs after he had suffered, appearing to them during forty days and speaking about the kingdom of God. While meeting with them, he enjoined them not to depart from Jerusalem, but to wait for "the promise of the Father about which you have heard me speak; for John baptized with water, but in a few days you will be baptized with the Holy Spirit."



When they had gathered together they asked him, "Lord, are you at this time going to restore the kingdom to Israel?" He answered them, "It is not for you to know the times or seasons that the Father has established by his own authority. But you will receive power when the Holy Spirit comes upon you, and you will be my witnesses in Jerusalem, throughout Judea and Samaria, and to the ends of the earth." When he had said this, as they were looking on, he was lifted up, and a cloud took him from their sight. While they were looking intently at the sky as he was going, suddenly two men dressed in white garments stood beside them. They said, "Men of Galilee, why are you standing there looking at the sky? This Jesus who has been taken up from you into heaven will return in the same way as you have seen him going into heaven."

SECOND READING

Hebrews 9:24-28, 10:19-23

Christ did not enter into a sanctuary made by hands, a copy of the true one, but heaven itself, that he might now appear before God on our behalf. Not that he might offer himself repeatedly, as the high priest enters each year into the sanctuary with blood that is not his own; if that were so, he would have had to suffer repeatedly from the foundation of the world. But now once for all he has appeared at the end of the ages to take away sin by his sacrifice. Just as it is appointed that men and women die once, and after this the judgment, so also Christ, offered once to take away the sins of many, will appear a second time, not to take away sin but to bring salvation to those who eagerly await him.

Therefore, brothers and sisters, since through the blood of Jesus we have confidence of entrance into the sanctuary by the new and living way he opened for us through the veil, that is, his flesh, and since we have "a great priest over the house of God," let us approach with a sincere heart and in absolute trust, with our hearts sprinkled clean from an evil conscience and our bodies washed in pure water. Let us hold unwaveringly to our confession that gives us hope, for he who made the promise is trustworthy.

GOSPEL

Luke 24:46-53

Jesus said to his disciples:

"Thus it is written that the Christ would suffer and rise from the dead on the third day and that repentance, for the forgiveness of sins, would be preached in his name to all the nations, beginning from Jerusalem. You are witnesses of these things. And behold I am sending the promise of my Father upon you; but stay in the city until you are clothed with power from on high."

Then he led them out as far as Bethany, raised his hands, and blessed them. As he blessed them he parted from them and was taken up to heaven. They did him homage and then returned to Jerusalem with great joy, and they were continually in the temple praising God.

Our second collection is for: the Catholic Communications Campaign.



PRAYER INTENTIONS



We pray for those in our community who are ill...

Costanza Alviti, Tommie Fogliani, Sofia Rodriguez Gaddi, Kathleen Kaz, and Rose Marino
that they may be comforted by the loving embrace of Jesus. We also pray for Mary Monihan
as well as all who recently went to our Lord.



MASS PRESIDERS NEXT WEEK

Saturday at 5:00PM — Fr. Gerald Coleman

Sunday at 9:45AM — Fr. Samuel Musiimenta



Events This Week

SU	M	Tu
Sunday the 1st	Monday the 2nd	Tuesday the 3rd
11:00 A.M.	10:00 A.M.	7:00 P.M.
Last Session of Gift At Fr. Lacey Hall	Bible Study At Fr. Lacey Hall	Bible Study At Fr. Lacey Hall

SAVE THE DATE: Sunday, July 20, 2025 at 9:45 A.M. there will be a **Volunteer Appreciation Mass and Refreshments to follow. All parish volunteers are invited. More information is to come.**



This Week's Theological Reflection

On this special day, we celebrate twin milestones: Jesus' ascension from earth to heaven and the commissioning of the disciples. Before Jesus left them, he told his disciples to preach in his name to all the nations, from Jerusalem to the ends of the earth. Then his apostles saw him lifted up and out of their sight, never to return in bodily form until the end of time. As his disciples, let us carry on the mission of the first apostles, trusting that the Holy Spirit will guide us and empower us to be witnesses to the world of Jesus' love and forgiveness.



Mass Intentions

Please contact Lisa Bamford if you would like to schedule Mass Intentions.

Please stop by the office, call (650) 366-9544, or email lisa@stmatthiasparish.org

Bulletin

Please submit any bulletin announcements no later than 10:00 A.M. on Tuesday mornings.

Submissions can be emailed to: joey@stmatthiasparish.org



REFUGEE FOSTER CARE INFORMATION SESSION

Refugee Foster Care supports unaccompanied refugee minors fleeing persecution and violence. We are seeking nurturing families to welcome a refugee youth into their home. Join us virtually to learn more!



June 26, 2025
6:30 PM



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Music Notes

We close the lovely, joyous month of May with the celebration of Ascension as we sing songs asking for the peace of Christ to be with us in all aspects of our lives. The lyrics of the very familiar “Be Not Afraid” bring us comfort and hope, we sing honor and glory to the Creator in our psalm: let all the earth cry out to God with joy.

We are mindful of our calling to love all and be open to serving as instruments of peace as we worship with “In This Place, and we sing for the peace that Christ promised to leave with his followers as he ascended. We are sent forth proclaiming our mission to serve all as we sing “With One Voice”.

May the peace of the Ascended Savior be with you and yours.

Respectfully submitted by:
Melanie Dresbach

Help Needed: Livestream Ministry

Since the pandemic, there have been a small group of parishioners providing livestreams of our weekly masses. Today, there are 40 – 50 views each week on YouTube of the St Matthias services recorded by just two volunteers. To maintain continuity in providing this vital service to those unable to attend mass in person, we immediately need 2 – 3 additional livestream volunteers. If you can operate the camera on your cell phone you have all of the required skills to help. If interested, please contact Pastoral Associate Joey Guterrez or Livestreamers Ed Cox and Craig Largent.



Ice Cream Social for Fr. Samuel

We are sending Fr. Samuel off to St. Agnes on Saturday, June 28, 2025 after the 5pm Mass. If you would like to show your appreciation for Fr Samuel's service to the St. Matthias community, consider making a donation to St. Jude Community School, the school he built in his hometown in Uganda.



Now Enrolling

The St. Matthias Preschool is now enrolling for the 2025-2026 academic year. We have an amazing program for our youngest little Matthians! Please contact our director for more information or to schedule a tour. You can reach Rosemary Juarez at: rosemary@stmatthiasparish.org for more information.

Promise Program

The Promise Program for children ages 3-6 has resumed! Parents, please be sure to send your children, this is a great opportunity for them to grow in their faith. Please contact Tony Chan, Facilitator via email: tonychan@gmail.com with any questions. Please be on the lookout for special summer offerings!

Celebration of Wedding Anniversaries

On June 29th at the 9:45 Mass, there will be a blessing for those couples celebrating their wedding anniversary at milestone years of 5, 10, 15, 20, etc. to 50 and each year beyond 50. We need to know who has reached or will reach these milestone years of their marriage. Please fill out a notecard with your name and date of your wedding. Please give the card to an usher or drop the card into the collection basket. In addition, please place the date on your calendar.

Pentecost Sunday: Do you speak another language?

We are seeking volunteers, who speak another language, to say one of the Prayers of the Faithful during one or both Masses on Pentecost Sunday, June 7-8. The Holy Spirit descended upon the Apostles and they received the power to spread the Word of God heard by those who spoke many different languages. Please consider helping us make our Masses on Pentecost Sunday special. Call the office at 650-366-9544 or let Deacon David or Deacon Rich know if you will be willing to participate.
(Deacon Rich rich@stmatthiasparish.org)

Thank you for joining us today! God bless and keep you and yours.



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